

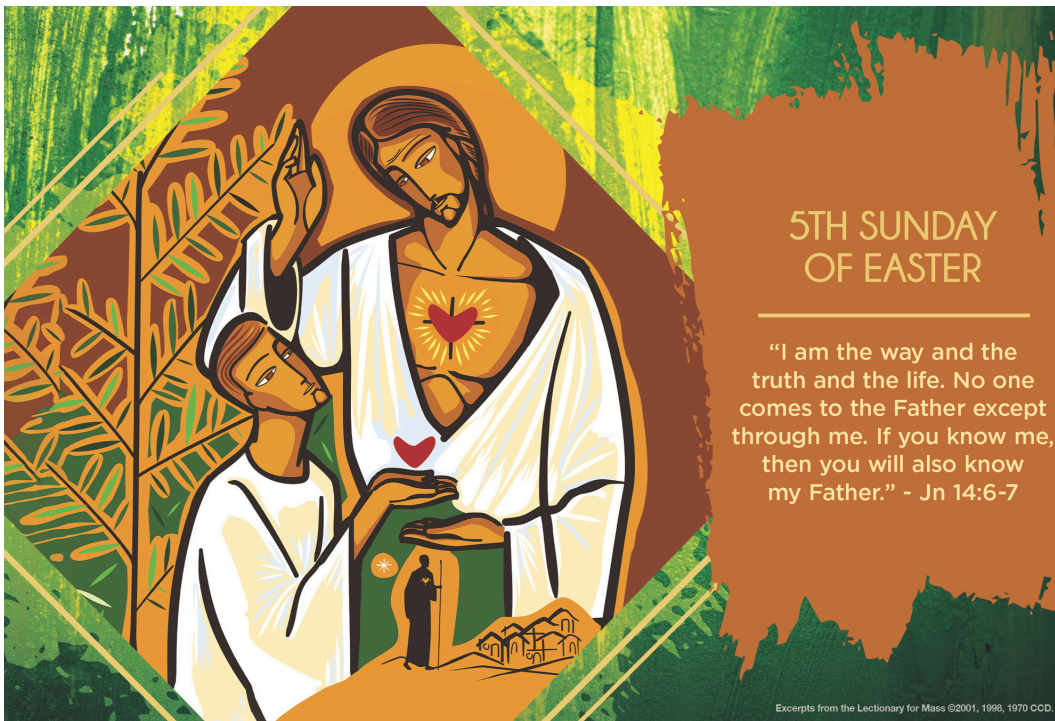


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CONFESSIONS:

Anytime by appointment

Boyceville-Saturday's 3:15-3:45 pm
Elmwood- Sunday's 8:00 - 8:20 am
Spring Valley- Wednesday's 5:30 -
6:10 pm

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GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

May 3, 2026 5th Sunday of Easter John 14:1-12

We generally approach life with the question, “What can this do for me?” We try a new workout, a low-carb diet, intermittent fasting, or a new career path, hoping it will make us healthier, stronger, happier. The assumption is that if I invest in this, I’ll eventually reap some benefit, or I won’t do it.

It is easy to think of faith the same way: if I really practice my faith, what will it do for me? Will it make me calmer, more moral, more successful?

But in today’s Gospel, Jesus says something astonishing. He doesn’t present himself as a teacher who shows us the way to life. He says, “I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life.” (John 14:6) He is not merely a guide toward some higher benefit. He is the benefit itself. To know him is to know Life.

Thomas Aquinas explains that every desire in the human heart – love, joy, meaning, all of our restless cravings – is really an indirect cry for life. Even despair testifies to this longing: people despair precisely because they feel they are not, and might never be, fully alive.

The good news is that Jesus is not simply the means to a better life; He is Life itself. To believe in him is to share in God’s own eternal vitality. Not simply later but even now. Faith is not a transaction that produces results – it is a union that fills us with joy. To be in communion with Christ is to be truly, fully alive. — Father John Muir



“In my Father’s house there are many dwelling places. If there were not, would I have told you that I am going to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back again and take you to myself, so that where I am you also may be.” — Jn 14:2-3

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

Upcoming Events

April 27- June 5 Father Anbu on vacation
No weekday Masses while Father Anbu is gone

May 2- Summer Mass schedule starts
Saturday vigil Mass in Elmwood 7:00 p.m.
Sunday Mass in Boyceville 8:30 a.m.
Sunday Mass in Spring Valley 10:30 a.m.

Father Paul Hoffman and Father Derek Sakowski will be helping with the weekend Masses in May, while Father Anbu is on vacation.

5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER



HEY, wait A MINUTE!



**Stewardship Weekly Offering
April 25-26, 2026**

	<u>Adult</u>	<u>Offertory</u>	<u>On-Line giving</u>
Boyceville	\$ 832.00	\$ 67.00	
Elmwood	\$ 410.00	\$ 198.00	\$ 111.30
Spring Valley	\$ 1379.00	\$ 308.00	\$ 1290.25

BOYCEVILLE NEWS



Mother's Day Roses - The Knight's of Columbus Mother's Day rose sale will be held after Mass next Sunday, May 10th. \$2.00 a rose with all proceeds going to Right To Life.

Flashlights - help yourself to a flashlight in the basket on the back table. Just pull the tab and you are all set (replace the AAA batteries when needed).

ELMWOOD NEWS

Please consider ParishSOFT, our NEW online giving service, to support to our Sacred Heart parish. We are providing this option in addition to cash or check donations. You can still give through traditional methods, but now you can make recurring or one-time gifts online with a credit/debit card or electronic check. To give online through our new platform, visit our giving page on our website, or scanning the QR Code to the right with your Smartphone camera. You can also give through text message by texting 'Give' to 715-265-2329 or Give Online at giving.parishsoft.com/giving/svecatholic



The Knights of Columbus will be meeting on Wednesday, May 6th at 8:00 p.m.

SPRING VALLEY NEWS

The Knights of Columbus will be having a cemetery clean up day at our Spring Valley and El Paso cemeteries on Saturday May 9th from 8:30 a.m.-Noon. Please meet at the Spring Valley cemetery at 8:30 a.m. so helpers can be delegated to either cemetery. Mike Lansing and Tony Shafer have a few things that need to get done at each cemetery. Everyone is welcome to come and help! A wonderful opportunity for the youth to obtain community service hours

Thank you to all who supported the KC tootsie roll drive last Sunday with \$237.00 collected. The 57th Annual Intellectual Disabilities or "Tootsie Roll" Fund Drive is one of the most recognizable activities that the Knights of Columbus do. The funds generated from this drive are used to support local programs which aid and contribute to organizations devoted to the care of individuals and particularly those inflicted with one or more forms of Intellectual disability.

We are looking for someone to hold the 3-4 pm hour of Eucharistic adoration on Thursday afternoons. Please contact Laura Buchal for more information or to sign up for this hour. "There is no doubt that a flood of graces will descend upon your family and the world if more souls would become docile pupils of adoration." (St. Pope John XXIII)

Mother's Day Flowers will be for sale next Sunday after 10:30 mass. A free will offering with the proceeds raised going toward flowers and plants for the prayer garden.

Mark your calendars for June 7-11th for the Spring Valley Community Vacation Bible School activities for pre-school through 6th grade children, will be held from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. each evening at Emmaus church. You can find registration brochures in the back of church.

Seven Sisters Apostolate The Seven Sisters Apostolate is a call to strengthen the Church by ensuring that a Holy Hour is prayed each day of the week for the sole intention of a specific priest or bishop - a "holy wasting" (cf. Mt. 26:10) or lavishing of prayer for his deeper conformity to Christ. We are looking for a woman to partner with the Seven Sisters on Fridays. The hour can be held at any time of the assigned day, at any Catholic Church, and does not have to be in the presence of the exposed Blessed Sacrament. Please contact Laura Buchal at 612-562-5872 for more information.

May 9 Saturday Vigil Mass in Elmwood

7:00 p.m. +Dorothy Mountin

(Tony & Marsha Shafer)

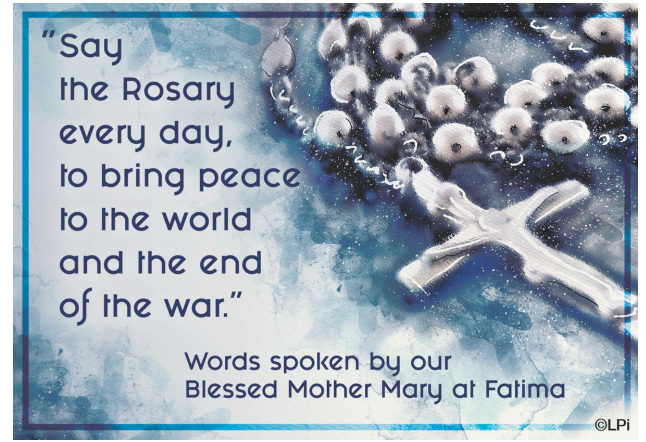
May 10 Sunday Mass

8:30 a.m. in Boyceville +Barb Hellmann

(Joe Hellmann)

10:30 a.m. in Spring Valley +Brody Sotona

(Wade & Kristi Sotona)



The Importance of Praying the Rosary in May

The Rosary is important because it focuses on the pivotal moments in the lives of Jesus and Mary, known as the “mysteries.” In reflecting on these major events of Jesus’ life, you will come to recognize more how much Jesus loves you personally. You will also be guided by the Holy Spirit to make connections between each mystery of Jesus’ life and your own life. And you may ask the Holy Spirit to help you see how this mystery gives guidance to your life right now. Praying the Rosary, with the repetition of the Hail Marys, creates a quiet, contemplative space in a noisy world, allowing the mind and heart to focus on God. Take 5 minutes to pray a decade of the Rosary (one Our Father, 10 Hail Marys, and Glory Be) with your family.

NEWS FOR ALL

“Legacy of Love: Celebrating Decades of Married Life.”

The Diocese of La Crosse is pleased to introduce a new way of celebrating wedding anniversaries in our diocese! Couples celebrating milestone anniversaries 10th, 20th, 30th, 40th, 50th, 60th, 70th, or 80th will be invited to participate in “Legacy of Love: Celebrating Decades of Married Life.” This free event will begin with Mass and include pictures with Bishop Battersby followed by a simple reception. Each couple is invited to bring two guests with them. Couples can register at <https://dioceseoflacrosse.regfox.com/legacy-of-love> or by calling Laura Boden at 608.791.2680 or emailing her at lboden@diolc.org.



Elmwood May 9 th at 7:00 p.m.		Spring Valley May 10 th at 10:30 a.m.
Joel	Lectors	Joe/Porter
Steve	Extraordinary Ministers	(S) Connie/Denise Katie/Diane
Eli/Logan	Mass Servers	Kennady/Jack/Eli
Jim / Dennis Jeff/ Glenn	Ushers/ Hospitality	Greg/Tony
Sue E.	Rosary/Music	Sacred Heart Choir

May is a month devoted to the Blessed Virgin Mary



NEW MASS TIMES Beginning May 2nd for Boyceville and Elmwood. Elmwood will start having Saturday Mass on May 2nd at 7:00 p.m. Boyceville will have Sunday Mass on May 3rd at 8:30 a.m. Spring Valley will continue to have 10:30 a.m. Mass on Sundays. This schedule will remain in place until September 1st.



Please send Bulletin Announcements to:

admin@shsv.diolcparish.org

News for the May 10th bulletin due by

11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, May 5th



Contacts to Remember for the Prayer Line

To include a name to our prayer list please contact: Spring Valley: Laura Buchal at ssf@wwt.net or call 715-772-4452 or 612-562-5872

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